

A Journey into The Faithfulness of God
Great is thy Faithfulness popularizes
my George Beverly Shea @ Billy Graham
Gospelists, 1954. When Konkel first heard
"Great is..." and a flood of memories coursed
through his mind. Reading the Book of Lamentations is like
walking through a battle field of
suffering & pain, a war zone of
sorrow. The atrocities that lay
on the right hand & left hand are
horrific, even the minor Jeremiah
pictures a mutilation of his own person.
But in Chapter three we see that during his
Journey Jeremiah

I - See The Trials Jeremiah Reviewed (1518-20)

A. You notice that I started with word and,
this is the end of a long list of unimaginable sufferings
sufferings so great, that there is a warning

B. Trials That Break us Mentally (1518)

The effect of these trials was so
severe upon Jeremiah. That he is
broken down mentally. The his
strength and his hope in God has been
destroyed. How could God? echoes in the
chambers of mind. It could all be
taken in any more, he is a pulp

C. Trials That Break us Spiritually (1520)

What ever since of pride that he might
of ~~Ward~~ is gone. Not a arrogance,
~~that~~ wasn't Jeremiah, but it seems
to be the human dignity type pride
illustrator! Homeless who lay
on the street in misery, Their minds
unable to grasp the things that happen
in downward spiral, no dignity, feels
less than human... This is a state ^{corner} and the
II. See The Truths Jeremiah Recalled
A. But when all of his strength is gone
and his hope gone... When lowered to ^{50:5} the
lowest... (Christ cross) Certain Truths begin
B. The Lord's Mercies - His Kheh-sed
the Lord's loving kindness, have fear
The Truth is that God is merciful
saying through How? Not in Hell! Alone
vs 31 God hasn't cast him off forever
C. The Lord's Possession - vs 34 -
portion is inheritance. God is my
portion. In Him, not my health, wealth
status, ... He is that which cannot be taken
away. Not only is he mine but I am his! vs 36 '3 don't ^{my}
D. The Lord's Goodness - The Lord is not
the author of Evil. A Righteous
father, does not have a Sadistic ⁵³
glee in the suffering of his own children,
Father chases a child, but as expressing Love ⁵⁸
E. The Lord's Righteousness - vs 37-39

Because He is ~~God~~ ^{God} he has every right
to judge sin. It is a wonder that we are
not consumed. Will not a loving father deal out
both punishment and blessing? ^{53 angels explain} We have no reason

II - See The Tears of His Request - 1540-42

A. This realization or turn of thought
brings Jeremiah full circle to see
not his pitiful condition but his sinful condition

B. Repentance of Transgression - Look
at our ways, search out the leaven
in our heart. I know not all trials
are in response to sin, but it is a good
starting place. Lift heart; our internal
beliefs, the mind, bitterness enters

- values, convictions, values (lift up hands
outward sinfulness, ... places we should
not go, things we should not say, "We
Have Transgressed. God pardons for ^{54 Ch. New} ^{judgment}

C. Requesting until Attention - 1548-55

This is not an attempt like the closed
door that thought that bringing out the
ark in time of battle might save them, this
is the cry of last resort. When was the
last time you wept in the presence of the

Lord? do you try prayer for a while
and when that doesn't seem to be working try
something else.

III - See The Tender word of Jehovah ^{Rever.}

A. All that has been said to God and
... about God, but we really haven't heard
from God. That is until now, ^{God will not disappear} Ps 34:18 Ps 55:17 ^{God}

B. The Lord's Drawing - vs 57 - God
drew near, God responded. The moment
that Jeremiah is experiencing is one that
thrills my heart. That moment when you
know the God has drawn near, when you
do feel the brush of angel wings, when ^{nothing yet you know it} ~~nothing is there~~

C. The Lord's Declaration - In this
whole chapter and all this talk and
tears, pleading & pain, God only says
2 words. Fear Not! But I don't think
there are two greater words to hear
in the depths of despair. Fear Not!
Words of Comfort, Words of Care
Words of Company,

D. The Lord Deliverance - Redeemed
brought back, the Kinsman
Redeemer.

V Closing